IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA MISSOULA DIVISION



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

CR 18-1-M-DLC

VS.

BRYCE DAVID KOCH,

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING PLEA

Defendant.

The Defendant, by consent, has appeared before the undersigned pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 11 and has entered a plea of guilty to the offense of possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) as set forth in the Indictment. After examining the Defendant under oath, I have made the following determinations:

- 1. That the Defendant is fully competent and capable of entering an informed and voluntary plea,
- 2. That the Defendant is aware of the nature of the charge against him and consequences of pleading guilty to the charge,
- 3. That the Defendant fully understands his constitutional rights, and the extent to which he is waiving those rights by pleading guilty, and

4. That the plea of guilty is a knowing and voluntary plea, supported by an independent basis in fact sufficient to prove each of the essential elements of the offense charged.

Therefore, I recommend that the Defendant be adjudged guilty of the charge set forth in the Indictment and that sentence be imposed. A presentence report has been ordered.

This report is forwarded with the recommendation that the Court defer a decision regarding acceptance until the Court has reviewed the presentence report.

DATED this 27th day of June, 2018.

Jeremiah C. Lynch

United States Magistrate Judge